(d) if so, to what extent these power projects have received coal to meet the shortages?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYAN RAO): (a) Yes, Sir. Short-term linkages have been approved for 72 operative power plants out of total 75 for second quarter of 2005-06. No allocation has been made for Nellore, Muzaffarpur and Bongaigaon TPSs for their long outages.

(b) Allocation for the second quarter of current year is 4.03 Million Tonnes more than the allocation made for the second quarter of 2004-05.

(c) Yes, Sir. An inter-ministerial sub-group comprising of representatives of Railways, Central Electricity Authority and Ministries of Power and Coal under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary, Ministry of Coal has been formed to monitor coal movement to power stations on regular basis. The committee monitors the coal stocks of various power stations, constraints in movement logistics and other factors that come in the way of having comfortable coal stocks by all power stations and take decisions to improve the situation.

(d) In the current quarter, during the month of July'05 despatch to power sector from CIL sources has been 19.89 MT. Close monitoring of coal movement by the inter-ministerial group could ensure that the number of power stations having coal stocks for less than seven days' consumption is reduced from a level of 17 as on 30.6.05 to 13 as on 3.8.05. Similarly the number of power stations having super critical coal stock of less than four days' consumption is reduced from 7 to 4 between 30.6.05 and 1.8.05

ESI hospitals

*274. SHRI S. ANBALAGAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of super speciality hospitals administered/directly run by ESIC, State-wise;

(b) whether Government propose to open more such super speciality hospitals in near future;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the number of State Government run hospitals of ESIC, State-wise;

(e) whether it is a fact that services provided by ESIC are not properly implemented due to dual Control of both the State and Central Governments; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the steps proposed to be taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR RAO): (a) to (f) At present, no super speciality hospital is being run by the ESI Corporation. The Corporation, in its meeting, held on 7th July, 2005 has decided to set up four zonal super speciality hospitals. As on date, 122 ESI hospitals and 1409 dispensaries are being run by the State Governments. State-wise details of hospitals and dispensaries are given in the statement-I & II respectively (*See* below).

The issue of dual control in delivery of health care to the insured persons has been discussed extensively in the ESI Corporation and in its meeting held on 27th February, 2005, a Sub-Committee has been formed to study all related problems and to suggest remedial measures.

The Corporation is running 22 hospitals directly at present (list of hospitals is given in the Statement-III (*See* below). Action plans have been prepared and sent to the State Governments for upgradation of ESI hospitals in the States. Revolving Fund Scheme has been introduced to expedite grant of advances/medical reimbursement in super speciality/speciality cases, purchase of drugs and dressing, equipments and its repair and maintenance etc. Ceiling on provision of medical care has been enhanced from Rs. 750 to Rs. 900 per insured person per annum *w.e.f.* 1.4.2005 to enable the State Governments to upgrade the services.

Statement-I

Details of hospitals being run by State Governments

Sl. No.	Name of State	No. of Hospitals
1.	Andhra Pradesh	10
2.	Bihar	2
3.	Goa	1
4.	Gujarat	11
5.	Haryana	5

Sl. No.	Name of State	No. of Hospitals
6.	Himachal Pradesh	1
7.	Karnataka	8
8.	Kerala	12
9.	Maharashtra	13
10.	Madhya Pradesh	6
11.	Orissa	5
12.	Pondicherry	1
13.	Punjab	6
14.	Rajasthan	4
15.	Tamil Nadu	8
16.	Uttar Pradesh	14
17.	West Bengal	13
18.	Jharkhand	2
	TOTAL	122

Statement-II

Number of State run ESI Dispensaries

1.	Andhra Pradesh	134
2.	Assam	27
3.	Bihar	25
4.	Chandigarh Administration	2
5.	Chhattisgarh	12
6.	Goa	9
7.	Gujarat	125
8.	Haryana	68
9.	Himachal Pradesh	9
10.	Karnataka	148
11.	Kerala	135
12.	Madhya Pradesh	47
13.	Maharashtra	72

Sl. No.	Name of State	No. of Hospitals
14.	Meghalaya	1
15.	Orissa	49
16.	Pondicherry	15
17.	Punjab	70
18.	Rajasthan	64
19.	Tamil Nadu	187
20.	Uttar Pradesh	129
21.	Uttaranchal	7
22.	West Bengal	37
23.	Jammu & Kashmir	8
24.	Jharkhand	29
	TOTAL	1409

Statement-III

List of hospitals being run by ESI Corporation

Sl. No.	State	Hospital
1.	Andhra Pradesh	ESI Hospital, Nacharam
2.	Assam	ESI Hospital, Beltola
3.	Bihar	ESI Hospital, Phulwari Sharif
4.	Chandigarh Administration	ESI Hospital, Chandigarh
5-8.	Delhi	ESI Hospital, Basaidarapur
		ESI Hospital, Rohini
		ESI Hospital, Okhla
		ESI Hospital, Jhilmil
9.	Gujarat	ESI Hospital, Bapunagar, Ahmedabad
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	ESI Hospital, Bari Brahama
11.	Jharkhand	ESI Hospital, Ranchi
12.	Karnataka	ESI Hospital, Rajajinagar, Bangalore

Sl. No.	State	Hospital
13.	Kerala	ESI Hospital, Asramam, Kollam
14.	Maharashtra	ESI Hospital, Chinchwad, Pune
15.	Madhya Pradesh	ESI Hospital, Nagda
16.	Orissa	ESI Hospital, Rourkela
17.	Punjab	ESI Hospital, Ludhiana
18.	Rajasthan	ESI Hospital, Jaipur
19.	Tamil Nadu	ESI Hospital, K.K. Nagar
20-21.	Uttar Pradesh	ESI Hospital, NOIDA
		ESI Hospital, Sahibadab
22.	West Bengal	ESI Hospital, Thakurpukur

Minimum wages for agricultural labourers

*275. SHRI N.R. GOVINDARAJAR: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have conducted any survey for determination of the existing number of agricultural workers in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof male, female separately, State-wise;

(c) the rate of minimum wages prescribed for them and the manner in which it is implemented;

(d) whether Government are considering the revision of existing minimum wages for agricultural labourers; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR RAO): (a) and (b) The results of the Census and periodic surveys conducted by the National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) are the main source of data for the number of agricultural workers in the country. According to the Census 2001, the details of number of agricultural workers male, female separately, State-wise is given in the Statement-I (*See* below).

(c) to (e) Under the provisions of the Minimum Wages Act, 1948, both Central and State Governments are the appropriate Governments to fix